

DEPARTMENT OF EDUCATION

[Docket No.: ED-2023-SCC-0023]

Agency Information Collection Activities; Submission to the Office of Management and Budget for Review and approval; Comment Request; Student Assistance

General Provision - Subpart E - Verification Student Aid Application Information

AGENCY: Federal Student Aid (FSA), Department of Education (ED).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act (PRA) of 1995, the Department is proposing an extension without change of a currently approved information collection request (ICR).

DATES: Interested persons are invited to submit comments on or before [INSERT DATE 30 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

ADDRESSES: Written comments and recommendations for proposed information collection requests should be submitted within 30 days of publication of this notice. Click on this link www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain to access the site. Find this information collection request (ICR) by selecting "Department of Education" under "Currently Under Review," then check the "Only Show ICR for Public Comment" checkbox. Reginfo.gov provides two links to view documents related to this information collection request. Information collection forms and instructions may be found by clicking on the "View Information Collection (IC) List" link. Supporting statements and other supporting documentation may be found by clicking on the "View Supporting Statement and Other Documents" link.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: For specific questions related to collection activities, please contact Beth Grebeldinger, 202-377-4018.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Department is especially interested in public comment addressing the following issues: (1) is this collection necessary to the proper functions of the Department; (2) will this information be processed and used in a timely manner; (3) is the estimate of burden accurate; (4) how might the Department enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (5) how might the Department minimize the burden of this collection on the respondents, including through the use of information technology. Please note that written comments received in response to this notice will be considered public records.

Title of Collection: Student Assistance General Provision - Subpart E - Verification Student Aid Application Information

OMB Control Number: 1845-0041

Type of Review: An extension without change of a currently approved ICR.

Respondents / Affected Public: Private Sector; Individuals and Households; State, Local, and Tribal Governments

Total Estimated Number of Annual Responses: 23,855,169

Total Estimated Number of Annual Burden Hours: 3,835,338

Abstract: This request is for an extension of the information collection supporting the policies and reporting requirements contained in subpart E of part 668 – Verification and Updating of Student Aid Application Information. Sections 668.53, 668.54, 668.55, 668.56, 668.57, 668.59 and 668.61 contain information collection requirements (OMB control number 1845-0041). This subpart governs the verification and updating of information provided on the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) which is used to calculate an applicant's Expected Family Contribution (EFC) for purposes of

determining an applicant's need for student financial assistance under Title IV of Higher

Education Act of 1965, as amended (HEA). The collection of this documentation helps

ensure that students (and parents in the case of PLUS loans) receive the correct amount of

Title IV program assistance by providing accurate information to calculate an applicant's

expected family contribution. There has been no change to the regulatory language since

the prior information collection filing.

Dated: April 10, 2023.

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